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In re Application of

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"BASB040" From Neisseria :

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Sir:

This is in reply to the communication mailed 19 July 2001 from the Patent Office, entitled "Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures." A copy of the Notice is enclosed.

Submitted herewith is the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §§ 1.821-1.825.

STATEMENT

Applicant hereby states that the enclosed CRF diskette submitted herewith is identical to the paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" contained in the copy of International Publication No. WO 00/34480 which was submitted on June 7, 2001 for filing with the US Patent Office and contains no new matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE**

Sir:

In response to the communication from the Patent Office mailed 19 July 2001, entitled · "Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office," enclosed is the Declaration and Power of Attorney for this application, plus the duplicate copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of the Application form.

The \$130.00 surcharge for filing the missing parts of the application should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0258. Any overpayment or refund should be credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0258.

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